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SCENES IN THE SENATE.

The performances in the United States Senate yesterday were unusually entertaining, varied, and dramatic. Some of the choice spirits of the "most potent, grave, and reverend seigniors" of the land used their best efforts to delight a secesh and semi-secesh Washington audience, and they were wonderfully successful. Garret Davis, of Kentucky, was the star actor of the occasion, but he was well supported by his colleague, Mr. Stevenson, and, at one stage of the drama, by Frank Blair, of Missouri. The times seem to be returning when the advocacy of the rights of slaveholders, and the praises of the demeanor of such grand exemplars of American life, bring down the plaudits of the galleries of the Senate. Mr. Davis consumed several mortal hours in offering resolutions and making speeches in support of his favorite plans for emptying the treasury into the purses of Kentucky ex-slaveholders and notorious Rebels, and he gave new emphasis to the opinion of one of the best of the Union generals in the late war, that, while the decaying aristocracy represented by Davis is too lazy to work and too thoroughly cowed to fight, it will signalize its declining days by inventing numberless schemes to steal the public money. If we are ever to have another amendment to the National Constitution, it should be one providing that under no circumstances shall any Southern claim growing out of the late war ever be paid, and that any Senator or Representative who consumed the time of Congress by pressing such measures should be expelled. As matters are progressing now, there is serious danger that the patient, forbearing, long-suffering, and overburdened tax-payers of the North will eventually be obliged to enrich hordes of Southern lazzaroni and their Congressional champions; and this danger is rather increased than diminished by the fact that repressive measures against the Ku-klux Klans are discussed during the same sessions that consider appropriations to ex-slaveholders for ex-slaves; for, practically, the continued agitation of such themes tends to prove that the war is not yet over, and that, while submission is incomplete on the one hand, claims for Southern war losses are not yet debarred on the other.

Aside from the serious interest connected with the proceedings yesterday, and the threatened danger of Northern tax-payers, an amusing interlude completed the artistic charm of this national drama. As Shakespeare puts comic scenes into his most impressive tragedies—thrusting a witty gravedigger into Hamlet and a whimsical nurse into Romeo and Juliet—so the controversy which involves the ultimate welfare of a nation was enlivened by the passage at arms between Garret Davis and Ben Butler. This scene, as reported, commenced by the doughty Massachusetts radical casting insulting looks at Davis while he was making his disgraceful speech. The reports are silent as to whether Ben bit his thumb or made mouths at the Kentucky gamecock (and sorely as the gallant Senatorial champion of ex-slaveholders and ex-rebels is aggrieved, he does not pretend that Ben did bite his thumb or distort his bewitching countenance), but that insulting looks were cast he most solemnly avers; whereupon, in a wrathful and resentful mood, and in the grand style of the brave old Southern gentlemen all of the olden time, he marched up to Ben (who was seated near by, on the floor of the Senate), shaking his fist meanwhile, and said:—"Do you mean to insult me, you—old scoundrel?" To which pertinent query the astute Massachusetts ex-advocate of the nomination of Jefferson Davis as a candidate for President of the United States characteristically replied:—"I don't care a— for you." The people may well wonder that men capable of participating in such a performance habitually consume a large portion of the time allotted to public affairs in the national councils; and the most consolatory report connected with this scene is the statement that Davis offers to Butler satisfaction anywhere out of the Senate chamber. We are no advocates of the barbarous code, but if ever good can come out of evil, there would be a hope to expect it from such an armed encounter between these belligerents which proved fatal to both parties.

There seems to be a probability that the British House of Lords will go into serious trouble again. It will be remembered that when the Irish Church disestablishment bill was under consideration, the contumacy of this house in refusing to pass the bill gave rise to a lively discussion as to the utility of a House of Lords in the present age of the world. The discussion, in fact, took such a shape that the question of abolishing the House of Lords was seriously debated, and a great many persons were ready to suggest that if the House of Lords was useless, the Lords themselves were equally so, and that it would be an excellent idea to make a clean sweep and so reconstruct the British Constitution

that there could be no privileged classes under it. The result of the whole matter was that a serious alarm was excited in the ranks of the British aristocracy, and their lordships receded from their position and passed the Irish Church bill, after saving their credit by making a few comparatively unimportant amendments. Since then the Lords have taken care not to give offense, but at the present session they have, according to custom, refused to assent to the Deceased Wife's Sister bill, which has for several years past been acted upon favorably by the House of Commons and uniformly rejected by the Lords. Some of the supporters of the bill are evidently tired of this, and the cable accordingly informs us that Mr. Simon has given notice of a motion to question the right of the House of Lords to negative a bill which has been passed by the Commons, and that he has expressed the opinion that such action on the part of the Lords is inconsistent with a system of representation of the people. The same question was raised at the time of the Irish Church bill, and it was boldly contended that the refusal of the House of Lords to confirm the action of the Commons was contumacious, and that their lordships must either behave better in the future, or else they would be deprived of all power to oppose the will of the representatives of the people. It may be inquired, what does the House of Lords exist for if its functions are limited to confirming the action of the Commons? and the signs of the times are that this question will ere many years be answered in such a manner as to radically change the whole system of British government, for it is absurd to maintain a chamber of ornamental hereditary legislators who have no authority to legislate.

By REFERENCE to the letter of our Harrisburg correspondent in another column, it would seem that the border war claims are likely to be presented to the Legislature on such a basis as to relieve the question of the grave suspicions of fraud and speculation which marked its career last year. If it shall be presented by the confessedly able committee of the Senate in such a manner as to free it of all odor of the lobby and swindling, all fair-minded men will be glad to give the issue the consideration its magnitude deserves, and to do full justice to the honest class of border people who have borne extraordinary burdens during the war. It appears that the Legislature is not asked to pay these claims, but to define their status and their just relation to the State and National Governments, and to provide for their readjustment in such manner as will put fraud to shame and vindicate those who have been faithful and upright. This done, they ask such intervention on the part of the State as may enable them to secure such restitution from the General Government as they may be justly entitled to.

THE CONNECTICUT ELECTION.

On Monday next, the 3d of April, Connecticut holds her annual election for members of Congress, State officers, and members of the Legislature. The following are the candidates of the two parties, those marked thus (*) being renominations:—

- FOR GOVERNOR. Republican, Marshall J. Wells. Democratic, James E. English. FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR. Republican, Morris Tyler. Democratic, Julius Hotchkiss. FOR SECRETARY OF STATE. Republican, Hiram Appelman. Democratic, Thomas M. Waller. FOR TREASURER. Republican, David P. Nichols. Democratic, Charles M. Pond. FOR COMPTROLLER. Republican, James W. Manning. Democratic, Seth S. Logan. FOR CONGRESSMEN.

It will be noticed that every incumbent has received a renomination. The Republican State ticket is, likewise, the same as last year, all the defeated candidates having again been placed in nomination by acclamation. Messrs. Jewell and English being thus brought into opposition for the Governorship for the fourth time. The result of the contest on next Monday is a matter of doubt. The Republican defeat in New Hampshire foreshadowed a like disaster in Connecticut, especially as the latter State has been carried by the Democracy several times of late years, while New Hampshire had been in the unintermitted possession of the Republicans since 1856. But the Democratic triumph in New Hampshire has served the purpose of facting the Connecticut Republicans to extra exertions, while it has served also the purpose of keeping the Democracy in splendid training. The vote of the State since the foundation of the Republican party has been as follows:—

Table with columns: Year, Rep., Dem., Total. Rows include 1858, 1860, 1862, 1864, 1866, 1868, 1870.

General Grant, it will be noticed, polled the highest vote on record in 1868, and if the full strength of his supporters of two years ago could be brought out, the Republican ticket would unquestionably be successful. It is folly, of course, to anticipate any thing of the sort, although it is probable that the Republican vote will exceed that of last year. The vote for members of Congress in 1869, with the majorities in 1867 and 1869, was as follows:—

Table with columns: Dist., Rep., Dem., Total. Rows include 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th districts.

The Democrats are sure of the Fourth district, and the Republicans are quite confident of carrying the Third, while the First and Second may well be regarded as debatable ground, with the chances, under existing circumstances, in favor of the Democrats. This probable result involving a further loss of two Republican members of Congress. In the First Congress the Republicans had three members, and the Democrats one; in the Fortieth, the Republicans one, and the Democrats three; in the Thirty-ninth, the entire delegation was Republican; and in the Thirty-eighth there were three Republicans to one Democrat, the latter being Governor English, from the Second district.

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On this story are also to be found the saw-mill and room in which "light work" is "hung up." On the second story is found the trimming and stock-rooms, the wheel-room and finishing-room. In these latter an immense amount of stock is stored. The wheel stock is of the best quality, so selected at the time of purchase as to exclude even one inferior hub, spoke, or rim. The first cost is greater, but there being no wastage, and but little repairing on the finished work, they prove cheaper in the end. From 100 to 125 wheels are kept on hand, to insure against shrinkage when placed in actual service. Ascending to the third floor, the paint shops are found, where the work receives the numerous coatings of paint.

The fourth floor is divided into several apartments. At the north end is the room where the draughtsman lays out the work, and the carriage is started; next, a perfectly clean varnish-room, where the under coats are applied; then a space where bodies are painted and the varnish rubbed or levelled down; and at the south end the finishing-room. The finishing-room walls are smooth-coated, painted, and varnished; the floor is double, and interlined with two layers of roof felting. The windows exclude all dust. In the door is a small hinged window, operated from the inside, admitting of observation from the paint-room, yet safe from intrusion. The basements of the building contain the steam engine, grindstones, etc. One feature which is noticeable throughout the establishment is the convenient hoisting apparatus and large hatchways, the latter on every floor, but in a separate building between the main building, preventing confusion in the shop, and also valuable as an additional protection against the ravages of fire.

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Since the first of January Mr. Rogers has associated with him an estimable and highly practical young man, Mr. Joseph Moore, Jr., a son of the much-esteemed President of the National Bank of the Northern Liberties. Mr. Moore is possessed of excellent executive abilities, and devotes his whole attention and time to the business, and in him Mr. R. has secured a very valuable assistant.

Heretofore the trouble has been that the demand for the work of Messrs. William D. Rogers & Co. could not be supplied, but with the above increased accommodations the firm hope in a short while to be able to keep a stock of first-class goods only on hand.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE AMERICAN BITTUN-HOLE, OYSTERING AND SEWING-MACHINE COMPANY will be held at the Factory, No. 303 WALNUT Street, on and after SATURDAY, April 15, 1871, at 3 o'clock P. M.

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